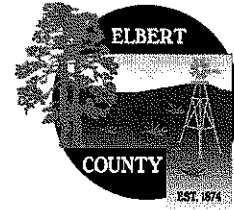


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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC HEARING AUGUST 25, 2010

ELBERT COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT RE-ROOF PERMIT APPLICATION FEE INCREASE AND ACCOMPANYING CHANGE TO THE ELBERT COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE

Staff Report

Presented By: Richard L. Miller, AICP

Summary: The Building Department conducted a study recently to compare Elbert County's re-roof permit fees to other jurisdictions. Elbert County currently charges \$150.00 for a re-roofing permit. The findings of the study are to be used to determine if the current permit fees are sufficient to cover the administrative costs to issue the permit, software costs to monitor and track the permits, personnel time and benefits, travel mileage and vehicle maintenance for inspections, and storage and record keeping. Information for the study was collected from nine (9) jurisdictions: Town of Elizabeth, Town of Kiowa, City of Boulder, City of Lakewood, Town of Parker, Park County, Douglas County, Jefferson County, and Canon City.

Finding of Study: Based upon information received from the study, Elbert County's current re-roof permit fee of \$150.00 is well below the fee charged by other jurisdictions. A figure of \$16,800 valuation for the re-roof materials and labor was used in the study for consistence in the permit fee for those jurisdictions that base their permit fees on valuation of the job. A comparison of fees in the immediate area indicate that the permit for the Town of Elizabeth would be \$382.00, Douglas County \$265.25, and the Town of Parker would be \$360.00. Overall, only Canon City had a lower fee (\$132.00) than Elbert County.

Proposed Use of Increased Fees: Due to recent cut-backs in all County departments, the Building Department has only one (1) plan-checker/inspector to review and inspect all construction within the County. Additionally, there is no full-time administrative assistant for Community & Development Services, which includes Planning, Zoning, Building and the Economic Development Departments. Currently, the Colorado Workforce, is supplying temporary help to the Community & Development Services Office, which will terminate at the end of September, 2010. It is hoped that a

portion of the proposed fee increase for re-roof permits will eventually help provide funds to hire an additional building inspector and full-time administrative help. Elbert County is a large geographic area which results in high mileage on County vehicles, high fuel costs to run the vehicles, and higher maintenance and repairs due to the high mileage. Elbert County attempts to have fees collected for building permits cover the department expenses to provide the services related to the permit.

Staff Recommendation: Based upon the results of the study, the Elbert County Building Department is recommending that the Board of County Commissioners increase the re-roofing permit fee from its current fee of \$150.00 to \$250.00 and approve the revisions to the Elbert County Building Department Fee Schedule to reflect the increase in the fee. It is further recommended that should the Board of County Commissioners approve the recommended fee increase, that the fee increase take effect on August 26, 2010 at 7:30 AM, to allow time to update the re-roof permit and update the County website to reflect the change in the fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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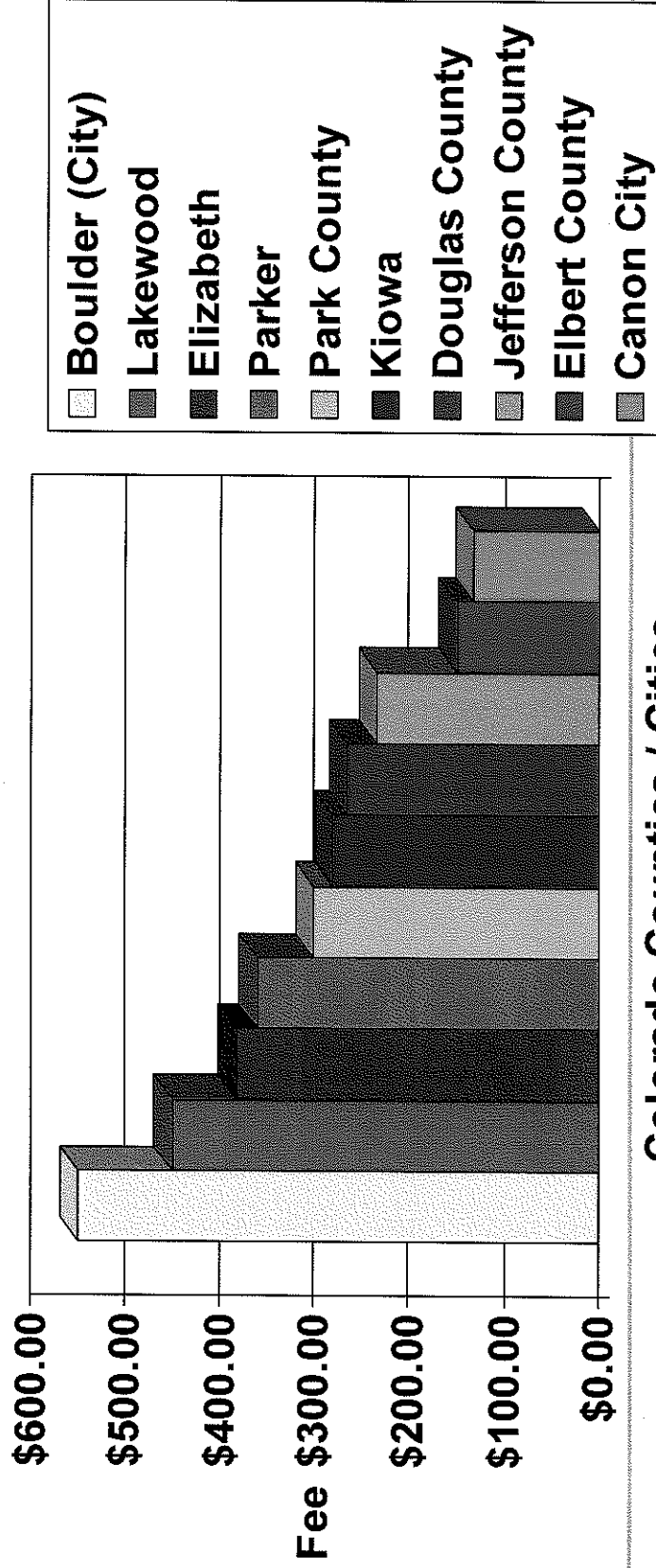
Attachments: Roofing Permit Cost Comparison Charts (2)

 Revised Elbert County Building Department Fee Schedule

 Board of County Commissioners Resolution for Re-Roof Permit Fee Increase

Roofing Permit Cost Comparison

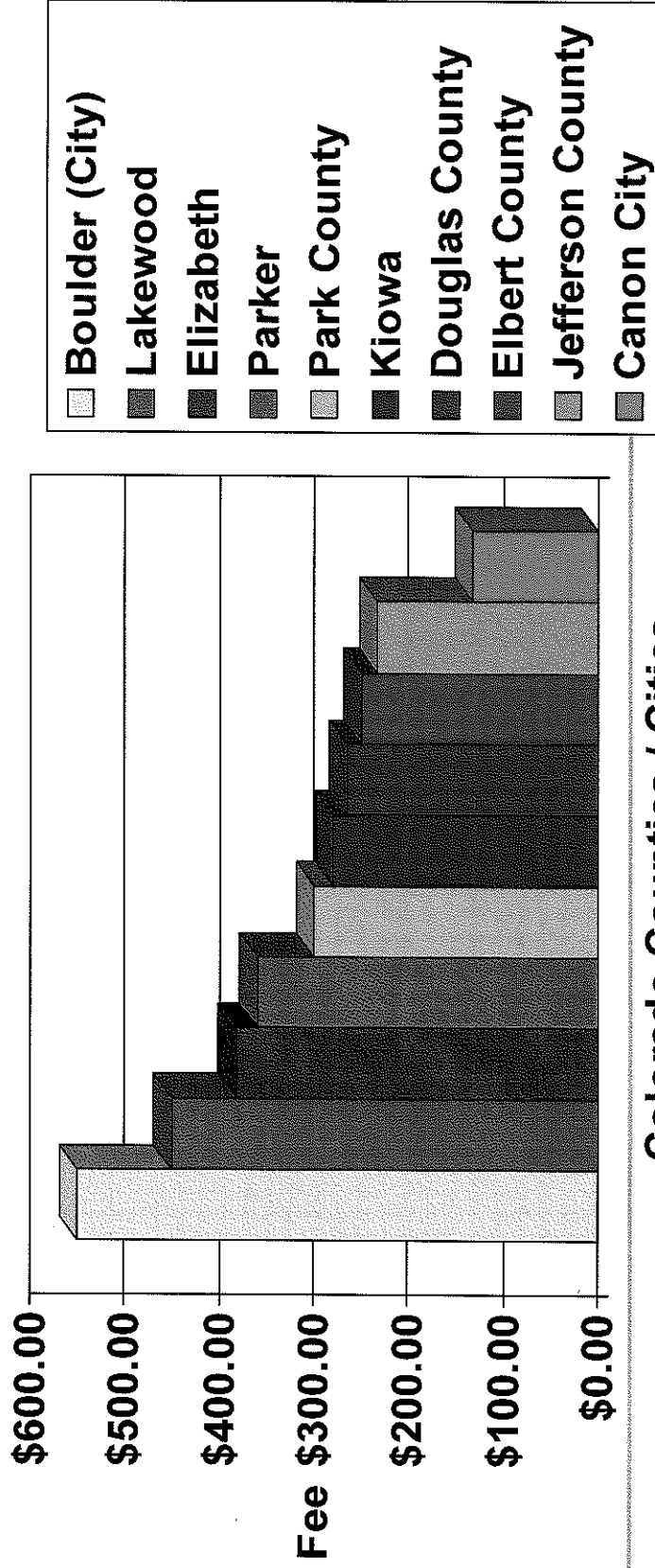
City of Boulder	\$550.00
City of Lakewood.....	\$450.00
Elizabeth.....	\$382.00 * Based on \$16,800 Valuation
Parker.....	\$360.00
Park County.....	\$300.00
Kiowa.....	\$279.25 * based on \$16,800 Valuation
Douglas County.....	\$265.25 * based on \$16,800 Valuation (Currently using 1997 Fee Schedule)
Jefferson County.....	\$234.00 * based on \$16,800 Valuation (Currently using 2006 Fee Schedule)
Elbert County.....	\$150.00
Canon City.....	\$132.00



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Roofing Permit Cost Comparison (After Cost Adjustment)

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ELBERT COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE
EFFECTIVE DATE OF JUNE 1, 2006 (Revised August 25, 2010),
 Per Resolution No.

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>FEE</u>
6 month extension	\$150.00
Air Conditioning	\$150.00
All permits w/ min flat fee	\$100.00
Barn/U1 Outbuilding	\$8.00 sq ft
Basement (finished)	\$16.00 sq ft
Basement (un-finished)	\$15.00 sq ft
Decks Covered	\$10.50 sq ft
Decks uncovered	\$8.50 sq ft
Demolition (need state permit also)	\$200.00
Duplicate permit card	\$6.00
Field repair only	\$200.00
Foundation	\$150.00
Garage (attached)	33.47 sq ft
Gas Conversion	\$150.00
Monthly reports	\$6.00 per report
Move and set inspection	\$150 + .45 per mile
Re-inspection fee	\$47.00
Re-Roof	\$250.00
Residential	\$85.51 sq ft
Residential swimming pool	\$350.00
Septic (field and tank)	\$350.00
Septic contractor (new)	\$150.00
Septic contractor (renewal)	\$20.00
Septic location maps	5.00 per map
Solid Fuel Stove (pellet, wood, coal, etc.	\$150.00
Special inspection fee	\$47.00
Tank repair only	\$150.00
Temp construction trailer	\$100.00